Kirkland Transportation Commission Meeting Notes Wednesday July 25, 2012

Call to Order

Chair Pfundt called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. <u>Members Present</u>: Tom Pendergrass, Tom Neir, Sandeep Singhal, Carl Wilson, John Perlic, Mike Snow. <u>Kirkland Staff Present</u>: Dave Godfrey, Public Works Department

Approval of meeting notes from June 27, 2012 meetings .

Approved with the following amendment under Public Comments: Eastside Trail Association should be Eastside Trail Advocates.

Public Comment

Robert Scheuerman; Stated that the Iowa Pacific Railroad will petition the Surface Transportation Board to take the Cross Kirkland Corridor out of rail banking status and suggested that Kirkland should consider selling the corridor back to the Port of Seattle. **Jeff Felbeck;** Urged for no rail in the corridor. Stated that those who live next to the corridor are against rail, while interests from outside Kirkland may be more supportive of rail. The corridor is already a type of park that people actively use.

Lake Washington Boardwalk

Commissioner Neir explained the boardwalk concept. Discussion about the concept ensued. The Commission decided to create a Boardwalk subcommittee of Commissioners Neir, Pendergrass, Singhal and Perlic. Staff was directed to set up a meeting of the subcommittee.

Cross Kirkland Corridor

Commission reviewed the memo intended for the Council's 8/7/12 meeting. Commissioners offered comments and edits for both the Rail Removal/Interim trail portion and the Master Plan Scope of Work sections of the memo. Commissioner Snow agreed to be at the 8/7 meeting to represent the Commission.

Level of Service/Concurrency

Commission reviewed a draft memo to Council recapping the work done by the Commission on level of service concurrency, and project evaluation. The memo had been updated based on previous comments of the Commission. The Commission made further recommendations for edits and refinements. Staff will make changes and send the revised memo back to the Commission via email.

Work Plan

Commission reviewed the existing work plan and made recommendations for changes. Commission directed staff to make changes to the work plan and bring the revised plan back to the next Commission meeting.

Updates from Commissioners and Staff

Staff reported on Road Maintenance Levy and the current Metro Transit Update Process. **Pendergrass**: Reported on success of Highline Trail in New York. Commented on bike friendly nature of Amsterdam. **Pfundt**: Commented that both NE 85th Street and Redmond Way are currently under construction. Added that Redmond is moving forward with rail removal and construction of the Redmond Central Connector.

Meeting adjourned Unanimously approved to adjourn 8:18 p.m.